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#### Spatial and Temporal Variability of PM2.5 Composition in California

University of California, San Diego Dr. Kimberly Prather \$678,671 (36 months)

Objective: Perform particle characterization as well as measure other criteria pollutants in a number of regions in California impacted by PM2.5 including major cities, agricultural areas, and transport sites.

**Expected Results:** Ambient particle and gas measurements, source apportionment from different sites, comprehensive database of ambient measurements and sources profiles.

# Effects of Ozone Exposure on Cardiovascular Responses in Healthy and Susceptible Humans

University of California, San Francisco Dr. Karron Power \$399,032 (42 months)

Objective: Investigate the effect of ozone exposure on heart rate variability, inflammation and coagulability.

**Expected Results:** Provide a biological basis for epidemiological findings that these pollutants can induce adverse cardiovascular effects.

### Effects of Woodsmoke on Cardiopulmonary Responses

University of California, San Francisco Dr. Colin Solomon \$399,939 (42 months)

Objective: Determine threshold levels for inducing airway inflammation and heart rate variability, the influence of asthma status caused by woodsmoke exposure, and the biological mechanisms controlling these exposures.

**Expected Results:** Biological basis for epidemiological findings that woodsmoke can induce cardiopulmonary effects.

## Role of Inhaled Particles in the Pathophysiology of Cardiovascular Disease

University of California, Irvine Dr. Michael Kleinman \$446,358 (36 months)

Objective: Examine the effects of fine and ultrafine PM exposures on markers of vascular cell inflammation in atherosclerosis-prone mice.

**Expected Results:** Understanding the roles of oxidative stress and inflammation-associated tissue damage from PM exposures as mechanisms that lead to heart disease.

#### Particle Phase Peroxides: Concentrations, Sources, and Behavior

University of California, Los Angeles Dr. Suzanne Paulson \$109,975 (24 months)

Objective: Categorize PM types, and establish chemical components that contain, affect concentrations, or generate, hydrogen peroxide.

**Expected Results:** Determine which PM source types yield the greatest amounts of tissue-damaging hydrogen peroxide when placed in aqueous media like lung fluid.

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